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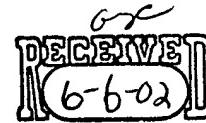
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AMENDMENT

In response to the Office Action dated March 13, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please replace claim 1 as follows.

1. (TWICE AMENDED) A method for forwarding packets to a network, comprising

the steps of:

providing a packet forwarding system with a memory, said packet forwarding system being connected to the network;

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receiving an analog signal and generating local audio packets;

receiving packets at the packet forwarding system including local audio packets and